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TITLE OF INVENTION: METHOD AND APPARATUS TO OBTAIN NEGOTIATED SERVICE ADVERTISEMENT

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Notice of Allowability**Application No.**

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Applicant(s)

SAULPAUGH ET AL.

Examiner

Quang N. Nguyen

Art Unit

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERIT IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to BPAT Decision mailed 01/29/2008.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-51.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

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1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08),
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4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413),
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7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☐ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____.

/Quang N. Nguyen/
Primary Examiner, Art Unit 2141

Examiner's Amendment

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.
2. Authorization for this Examiner's Amendment was given in a telephone interview with the Applicant's Representative, Mr. Robert C. Kowert (Reg. No. 39,255), on March 18th, 2008.
3. Please amend claims 35-51 as below:

Claim 35. (Currently amended) A ~~carrier~~ computer readable storage medium comprising storing program instructions, wherein the program instructions are computer-executable on a client device to implement:

receiving a capability credential, wherein said capability credential indicates that a client within the client device is allowed to access a portion of a first service's capabilities;

using said capability credential to request an access interface document to access the first service;

receiving said access interface document, wherein said access interface document comprises an interface for accessing only said portion of the first service's capabilities; and

using the interface from said access interface document to access a capability from said portion of the first service's capabilities.

Claim 36. (Currently amended) The carrier computer readable storage medium as recited in claim 35, wherein said using said capability credential to request an access interface document comprises sending an advertisement request message in a data representation language, wherein said advertisement request message includes said capability credential.

Claim 37. (Currently amended) The carrier computer readable storage medium as recited in claim 36, wherein said data representation language is eXtensible Markup Language (XML).

Claim 38. (Currently amended) The carrier computer readable storage medium as recited in claim 36, wherein the program instructions are computer-executable on the client device to further implement:

receiving, in an advertisement request response message, a custom advertisement in response to sending said advertisement request message, wherein

said custom advertisement is generated according to said portion of the first service's capabilities that said capability credential indicates the client is allowed to access.

Claim 39. (Currently amended) The ~~carrier~~ computer readable storage medium as recited in claim 38, wherein said custom advertisement specifies an XML schema defining messages to be sent by the client to the first service and messages to be sent from the first service to the client to use said portion of the first service's capabilities.

Claim 40. (Currently amended) The ~~carrier~~ computer readable storage medium as recited in claim 4 35, wherein the program instructions are computer-executable on the client device to further implement receiving a protected advertisement for the first service, wherein said protected advertisement provides an address to request said security credential, but does not provide said access interface document to access the first service.

Claim 41. (Currently amended) The ~~carrier~~ computer readable storage medium as recited in claim 40, wherein the program instructions are computer-executable on the client device to further implement sending a request for said security credential to the address from said protected advertisement, wherein said request for said security credential includes an indication of a set of desired capabilities for the first service.

Claim 42. (Currently amended) The ~~carrier~~ computer readable storage medium as recited in claim 41, wherein said address from said protected advertisement is for an authentication service that determines a level of capabilities of the first service that client is authorized to access and generates said security credential to grant access for the client to said portion of the first service's capabilities.

Claim 43. (Currently amended) The ~~carrier~~ computer readable storage medium as recited in claim 42, wherein said portion of the first service's capabilities is the lesser of said level of capabilities and said set of desired capabilities.

Claim 44. (Currently amended) The ~~carrier~~ computer readable storage medium as recited in claim 42, wherein said receiving a capability credential comprises receiving said capability credential from said authentication service.

Claim 45. (Currently amended) The ~~carrier~~ computer readable storage medium as recited in claim 40, wherein said protected advertisement further provides an address to request said access interface document to access the first service, wherein said using said capability credential to request an access interface comprises sending an advertisement request message to said address to request said access interface document.

Claim 46. (Currently amended) The ~~carrier~~ computer readable storage medium as recited in claim 40, wherein said receiving a protected advertisement comprises receiving said protected advertisement from a space service, wherein said space service comprises protected advertisements for a plurality of services including the first service, wherein each protected advertisement specifies an address for request a security credential to allow access to a corresponding service.

Claim 47. (Currently amended) The ~~carrier~~ computer readable storage medium as recited in claim 35, wherein said access interface document comprises a schema defining messages for accessing said portion of the first service's capabilities, wherein said using the interface from said access interface document to access a capability comprises sending a message according to said schema to the first service.

Claim 48. (Currently amended) The ~~carrier~~ computer readable storage medium as recited in claim 47, wherein said message includes said capability credential so that the first service may use said capability credential to authenticate said message as from the client.

Claim 49. (Currently amended) The ~~carrier~~ computer readable storage medium as recited in claim 35, wherein said access interface document comprises a message schema defining messages for accessing said portion of the first service's capabilities, wherein said using the interface from said access interface document to

access a capability comprises the client using said access interface document to construct a message gate for sending messages to the first service, wherein the message gate embeds said capability credential in each message.

Claim 50. (Currently amended) The ~~carrier~~ computer readable storage medium as recited in claim 49, wherein the program instructions are computer-executable on the client device to further implement the message gate checking each message for compliance with said message schema.

Claim 51. (Currently amended) The ~~carrier~~ computer readable storage medium as recited in claim 50, wherein said message schema is an XML schema.

4. Claims 1-51 are allowed.

5. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Based on the decision of the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences (BPAI), claims 1-51 are allowed. The above-mentioned claims are allowable over the prior art of records, which does not appear to teach or render obvious the claimed limitations in combination with the specific added limitations as recited in independent claims and subsequent dependent claims.

6. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should clearly labeled "Comments on Examiner's Amendment".

7. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Quang N. Nguyen whose telephone number is (571) 272-3886. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's SPE, Rupal Dharia, can be reached at (571) 272-3880. The fax phone number for the organization is (571) 273-8300.

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/Quang N. Nguyen/
Primary Examiner, Art Unit 2141